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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) San Diego – Men Arrested In Internet Sex Trafficking

(U) Human trafficking investigators have dismantled what they described as the first members-only Internet prostitution ring of its kind in San Diego, run by two local men who lured in vulnerable women and allowed customers to post reviews of their “performance.” The men are accused of merging their separate, long-standing sex trade businesses some 10 years ago, attracting an estimated 50,000 client and victim members. About 900 members were active when authorities shut down the website, police said.

SOURCE: 14 June 2016, [The San Diego Union-Tribune](#)

(U) Whittier – 31 Arrested in Gang Crackdown

(U) Authorities yesterday arrested 31 reputed members and associates of a Los Angeles-area street gang accused of being involved in drug dealing, credit card fraud, the murder of a rival and an attack on an undercover police officer. Three arrests were made in Northern California and Arizona and the rest were in the Los Angeles area. About 400 federal, state and local agents took part in the arrests, which were based on a federal grand jury indictment issued last week, prosecutors said. The gang is one of many that take orders from a prison gang, the Mexican Mafia that regulates drug-dealing territories and protects imprisoned street gang members in exchange for receiving a portion of criminal proceeds in the form of “taxes” or “rent,” according to the indictment.

SOURCE: 14 June 2016, [The Tribune](#)

(U) NATIONAL

(U) District of Columbia – Russian Government Hackers Penetrated DNC

(U) Washington – Russian government hackers penetrated the computer network of the Democratic National Committee (DNC) and gained access to the entire database of opposition research on GOP presidential candidate Donald Trump, according to committee officials and security experts who responded to the breach. The intruders so thoroughly compromised the DNC’s system that they also were able to read all email and chat traffic. The networks of presidential candidates Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump were also targeted by Russian spies, as were the computers of some Republican political action committees, US officials said, but details on those cases were not available.

SOURCE: 14 June 2016, [The Washington Post](#)

(U) Florida – Federal Grand Jury Could Charge Wife of Orlando Shooter

(U) Orlando – A federal grand jury has been convened to look into possible wrongdoing by the wife of the gunman who killed 49 people at an Orlando nightclub, and criminal charges could be brought against her as early as today, a law enforcement source said. Omar Mateen's wife, Noor Salman, knew of his plans for what became the deadliest mass shooting in modern US history. Salman was with Mateen when he cased possible targets for an attack in the past two months, including the Disney World resort in April, a shopping complex, and the Pulse nightclub in early June.

SOURCE: 15 June 2016, [Reuters](#)

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(U) Virginia – Man Accused in Church Attack Plot Sentenced to Nearly Nine Years

(U) Richmond – A Virginia man accused of plotting to shoot up or bomb synagogues and black churches has been sentenced to eight years and nine months in prison. Prosecutors say Ronald Chaney III and a co-conspirator are white supremacists who were arrested after buying guns and explosives from undercover agents. An FBI affidavit said the men and another defendant conspired to rob a silver and coin dealer and use the money to finance a race war.

SOURCE: 14 June 2016, [Associated Press](#)

(U) INTERNATIONAL**(U) Belgium – Belgian Police Alerted to ISIL Fighters En Route to Europe**

(U) Brussels - Belgian police received an anti-terror alert warning that a group of Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) fighters recently left Syria en route for Europe and are planning attacks in Belgium and France. The Belgian crisis center in charge of coordinating security responses said that an alert was circulated to all police forces in the country but there were no immediate plans to raise the security level to the maximum that would indicate an imminent threat of an attack.

SOURCE: 15 June 2016, [Reuters](#)

(U) China – China Bans Exports to North Korea With Possible Military Use

(U) Beijing - China banned exports to North Korea of technology and materials that might be used in weapons production in a new response to the North's development of nuclear weapons and missiles. The list of banned "dual use" items with possible civilian and military use includes metal alloys, cutting and laser-welding equipment and materials that could be used in production of chemical weapons, the Commerce Ministry said. Beijing has long supported the North Korean government, but in a sign of growing frustration signed on in March to United Nations sanctions enacted in response to the North's fourth nuclear test.

SOURCE: 15 June 2016, [The Washington Post](#)

(U) Germany – Berlin Police Seize Heroin Haul Worth \$3.6 Million

(U) Berlin - Police say they arrested two men on narcotics charges and are seeking a third after finding 176 pounds of heroin worth an estimated \$3.6 million. The heroin was brought in from outside Germany, police said. A Lebanese man suspected of importing the drugs was arrested, along with his German-Lebanese accomplice who is accused of being responsible for the storage and trafficking of the heroin.

SOURCE: 15 June 2016, [The Washington Post](#)

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER**(U) Arizona – CBP Officers Seize Meth Disguised as Tamales at Border**

(U) Nogales – US Customs and Border Protection (CBP) agents seized a pound of methamphetamine disguised as tamales and hundreds of pounds of marijuana in separate incidents at a border crossing in Nogales Monday, officials said. Later in the day, officers arrested a man at a Nogales border crossing after inspecting his truck and finding about 264 pounds of marijuana hidden in a shipment of brick pavers, according to CBP.

SOURCE: 14 June 2016, [AZ Central](#)

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